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SUBJECT: NEW POLITICAL COUNSELOR FOR SWEDISH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON

1. WE HAVE JUST BEEN INFORMED THAT MATS BERGQUIST WILL BE GOING TO WASHINGTON AS POLITICAL COUNSELOR AT SWEDISH EMBASSY. HE EXPECTS TO TAKE UP NEW DUTIES AT END OF MARCH. BERGQUIST WILL REPLACE FIRST SECRETARY LARS-AKE NILSSON BUT POSITION HAS BEEN UP-GRADED TO COUNSELOR RANK.

2. BERGQUIST IS CURRENTLY ON LOAN TO SECRETARIAT FOR NATIONAL SECURITY POLICY AND LONG RANGE DEFENSE PLANNING AT MINISTRY OF DEFENSE AND HAS DONE NUMBER OF STUDIES DURING THIS ASSIGNMENT. HE WAS BORN SEPTEMBER 5, 1938. HAS PH.D. FROM UNIVERSITY OF LUND. ENTERED SWEDISH DIPLOMATIC SERVICE IN NOVEMBER 1963 AND HAS SERVED ABROAD IN LONDON AND WITH SWEDISH DELEGATION TO UN. MARRIED TO MARIANNE NEE LUBECK WHO IS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED WITH SWEDISH RADIO. THEY HAVE TWO CHILDREN. FATHER WAS FORMER GOVERNOR OF KRONOBERGS PROVINCE. BROTHER IS IN CHARGE OF MFA'S FIRST DIVISION.

3. BERGQUIST IS HIGHLY INTELLECTUAL. IN ADDITION TO CURRENT WORK OF THIS NATURE AT DEFENSE MINISTRY, HE HAS ALSO ENGAGED IN LONG-RANGE POLICY AND PLANNING AT MFA. HE IS EXTREMELY WELL VERSED ON AMERICAN ACADEMIC WRITINGS IN FIELD OF POLITICAL SCIENCE AND HAS HIMSELF AUTHORED NUMBER OF ARTICLES ON U.S. DOMESTIC

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